

# ST MARY'S WAR MEMORIAL SCHOOL WEST WYALONG

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## St Mary's congratulates...

AWARDS	KEY LEARNING AREAS	MAKING JESUS REAL
Flynn Bryant	English	Gracie Hall
Elise McCubben	English	Sam Pockley
Charlie Kellahan	Science	Tyler Lawrence
Michael Ambrose	Mathematics	Cooper Loudon
Anna Rogers	English	Madison Ford
Georgia Gould	Mathematics	Varshan Pranavendran
Max Waller	Mathematics	Mackenzie Parkes

**Congratulations**, the children have started the year looking proud of their school and ready for work dressed up in their school uniform. This all helps to maintain a high standard. Just a reminder that school shoes are to be either black boots or leather/leather type shoes and in a traditional school style. If your child is unable to comply with this regulation please see, or write a note to the class teacher. Also hair adornments need to be in school colours. Your assistance and cooperation in this matter is very much appreciated.

## St Mary's prays...

The teaching staff attended a very entertaining but also a very informative and challenging day to further enhance their knowledge and skills in Making Jesus Real (MJR).

MJR is about ensuring that the face of Jesus is visible to all of us, 24/7, in a contemporary manner. We are encouraged to look for God moments and this is simply the little things that we say and do that make others happy. I hope you experience many God moments each day.

## St Mary's welcomes...

Georgia Hewitt and her parents Michelle and Harold. Georgia is in Year 2 and is returning to St Mary's after a short while in Rankin's Springs.

**ST MARY'S PARISH MASS TIMES**  
**Sunday 9 February 9.30am**

## St Mary's thanks...

Thankyou to Archbishop Christopher, Fr Mick, Miss Lowe, Mrs Harland and Mrs Hartwig for leading us in the Opening School Mass yesterday. Archbishop Christopher blessed all our school leaders, staff, parents and students, and called them to servant leadership - the only type of leadership that should exist in the Catholic Church - caring for others as modelled by Jesus. Before Mass Archbishop visited our classrooms. He explained that his role is like a shepherd and keeps people together but also to keep them moving along in their love for Jesus and each other. One of the best ways to do this is to celebrate Mass together.

## Urgent ...

Thankyou to the many parents and staff who have already volunteered, but more HELP is URGENTLY required on Wednesday the 19 February to assist the school and the P & F in hosting the Western Region swimming carnival here in West Wyalong. The advantages of hosting this event is that our families do not have to travel, the P & F are able to fund raise with the BBQ lunch and we can show off our beautiful pool and wonderful school spirit. Needed are volunteers for the following:

- 3 lane place judges
  - 3 timekeepers
  - help to set up shade structures on Tuesday evening after swimming club
  - an offer to prepare 2 fruit platters for officials
- All offers are greatly appreciated.

Results from St Mary's swimming carnival held on Tuesday 4 February:

HOUSE POINTS: Tenison Woods 211, McAuley 144 McKillop 99

Junior female champion: Bridie White  
 Skye Pockley  
 Georgia Miller

Inter female champion: Lydia White  
 Bridie Heffer Equal second  
 Abi McCubben

Senior female champion: Mackenzie Parkes  
 Paige Lawrence

Junior male champion: Harrison Arragon  
 Michael Ambrose  
 Jamie Nicholson

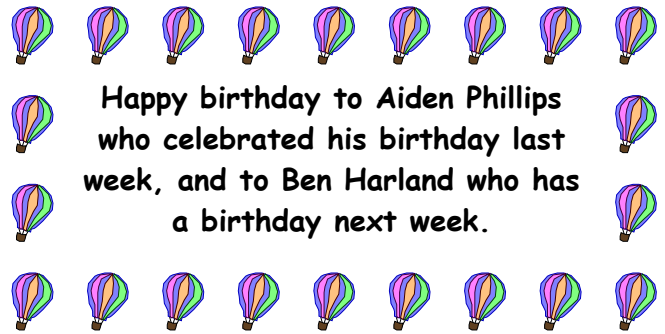
Inter male champion: Charlie Tulloch  
 Ben Harland

Senior male champion: Jack Nicholson  
 Max Waller  
 Rhyle Davis

**RECORDS BROKEN ON THE DAY:**

Lydia White 50m butterfly 43.56  
 Bridie White 50m freestyle 45.82

Congratulations to all our swimmers on their performances on Tuesday.



**Happy birthday to Aiden Phillips who celebrated his birthday last week, and to Ben Harland who has a birthday next week.**

**CLASS MASS TIMES:**

Tuesday 11 February Year 2 Mass 10.00am  
 Tuesday 18 February Year 5/6 Mass 10.00am  
 Tuesday 4 March Kinder 10.00am Burning of the Ashes  
 Tuesday 18 March Year 3/4 Mass 10.00am

**WHOLE SCHOOL MASSES:**

Wednesday 5 March for Ash Wednesday 12.00  
 Tuesday 11 March for open classrooms 9.30am  
 Tuesday 25 March Feast of the Annunciation 12.15pm



Three members of the Brumbies Rugby Union team based in Canberra will visit St Mary's next Wednesday 12 February from 12.00-1.00 for a question and answer session. Do some homework and have those questions ready!!



Thank you to the P&F who organised the BBQ lunch for staff and students at the swimming carnival, especially to Genevieve and John Dignan who did the cooking.

Congratulations to our 'swimming sisters' Lydia & Bridie White who both broke a record on Tuesday.

Jasper Loudon accepted the swimming shield at assembly this morning in his capacity as captain of Tenison Woods.



**WESTERN REGION SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

I am able to assist on Wednesday 19 February at the Western Region swimming carnival as

lane place judge  time keeper  with a fruit platter

Setting up shade shelters on Tuesday evening

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Contact No** \_\_\_\_\_

## UPCOMING EVENTS

EVENT	DATE
Kinder day off	Wednesday 12 February
<b>School Board AGM 7.00pm</b>	<b>Thursday 13 February</b>
Summer trials basketball & tennis Young Yrs 5 & 6	Monday 17 February
Western Region Swimming Carnival–West Wyalong	Wednesday 19 February
Kinder day off	
Life Ed van visit	
Life Ed van visit	Thursday 20 February
AFL skills	Friday 21 February
Rugby League skills session	Wednesday 26 February
Archdiocesan swimming Narooma	Monday 3 March

### CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 1, 2014

Mon 10 Feb	Tue 11 Feb	Wed 12 Feb	Thurs 13 Feb	Fri 14 Feb
J McDonell C Loudon	<b>CLOSED</b>	A Davis	<b>CLOSED</b>	M Parkes
Mon 17 Feb	Tue 18 Feb	Wed 19 Feb	Thurs 20 Feb	Fri 21 Feb
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Canteen manager Mrs Narelle Ambrose would like to hear from you if you are able to help on the school tuckshop in 2014. New parents and grandparents are very welcome and you can be rostered on with a friend on your preferred day.

Please fill in the slip below and send in to the school or phone Narelle for more information on 0427723940. A mobile phone contact number would be appreciated.

### SCHOOL TUCKSHOP VOLUNTEERS

Please put my name on the tuckshop roster for 2014 \_\_\_\_\_

My preferred day is \_\_\_\_\_

once a month       once every 6 weeks       once a term

Please roster me on with \_\_\_\_\_ Contact number \_\_\_\_\_

**FRUIT BREAK:** At around 10.00am each morning the students take a short break to have a piece of fruit, which has been proven to stimulate the brain. We ask that sugar filled snack bars and sugar added tinned fruit are not sent in to school to eat at this time. Vegetables are welcome as long as they are easy to eat and are fresh.

#### SCHOOL UNIFORM PREFERRED PROVIDER

Outwest Clothing and Sport Spot are preferred providers of school uniforms for St. Mary's school.

Sport shorts should be purchased from Sport Spot and all other uniform requirements are available from Outwest Clothing. Both of these businesses will return a percentage of sales to the P&F.

School back packs are available from the school office.

## Position Vacant

St Mary's is seeking a person to work in the front office. This will be a temporary position until December 19, 2014. Beginning hours Monday and Thursday 12.00 to 3.30 Wages as per School Employees Award - Canberra Goulburn Catholic Education Office

### Selection Criteria:

- Able to demonstrate a commitment to the aims of Catholic Education
- Past experience in office administration
- Cheerful persona and professional personal presentation
- Good communication skills with general public, students, parents and staff
- Flexible attitude
- Ability to work unsupervised
- Ability to perform manual tasks
- Ability to maintain confidentially
- Ability to perform desk top publishing, word processing and data entry
- Current CPR and First Aid Qualifications

This position involves working with children. The appointment of the successful applicant will be subject to satisfactory employment screening for child related employment in accordance with CEO policy

Application is to be made on the official Application Form for School Employees which is available from the Catholic Education Office website, [www.ceocg.catholic.edu.au](http://www.ceocg.catholic.edu.au)

Completed forms together with a letter addressing the selection criteria are to be addressed to Robyn Akehurst by Monday 17 February 2014.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### BLAND SHIRE LIBRARY NEWS

Summer Reading Club Finale Party and Presentation

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2014 4 pm – 5 pm @ Bland Shire Library  
For SRC members and family only

*Reading Logs must be returned by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2014*

*Forget Valentines Day - February 14 has been renamed Library Lovers Day. February 10-14 is Library Lovers Week at Bland Shire Library. Visit the Library during the week and you will automatically go into the draw to win either a children's or adult's prize pack.*

*On Monday 10 February at 10.30am money raised from morning tea will go to the Red Shield Appeal.*

Held at Bland Shire Library 6 Shire Street Phone 69790272

### WEST WYALONG JUNIOR BASKETBALL REGISTRATION AFTERNOONS

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February and Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2014

4.30pm – 6.00pm at the Stadium

All players will need to pay a \$35.00 competition fee.

For all new players or players with expired registration (check your current card) a registration fee will also need to be paid to us (which is paid then to NSW Basketball).

NSW Basketball Registration \$55.00

The competition is to start on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2014.

Current players are encouraged to register electronically by sending an email and paying fees direct to the Association account - please refer to your latest email for instructions.

Please DON'T leave it too late, as we can only cater for approximately 200 players! Any child who wishes to start mini skills with Justine Henley and Sheridan Webster are asked to pay \$20.00 prior to their child participating. Mini Skills will also start on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 3.30pm.

**TALLIMBA NIGHT TENNIS** is having a get together for a social hit of tennis and BBQ. Starting at 7pm this Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February. We will be looking for an expression of interest, so we can form teams and hopefully we will commence the competition the following Friday. Everyone is welcome, its a great night for the family. Single membership is \$15, Family membership is \$30 and a single child under 12 is \$8. We have one more tennis court to nail down permanent lines on, so if the men could bring hammers, we might get the court done that night too. Any Questions please contact Morgan Anderson 69757160.

### SPLATTER GALLERY & CAFÉ

Art classes have resumed on Saturdays for children:

9.30-10.30am—3 years to Kinder ages

11.00-12.30pm—Year 1 to Year 5 \$20 per class

1.00-3.00pm—Year 6 to Year 10 \$25 per class

All materials included for all art classes. Custom picture framing of all artworks is offered at the Gallery.

### LEARN TO SWIM - TERM 1

1 lesson a week for 4 weeks Starts: 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2014

Time: Monday – Friday, 20min one on one lesson.

Age: Starting from 2 ½ years and up Cost: \$65

See staff for more details at the Holland Park Swim Centre

### WEST WYALONG NETBALL

#### REP TEAM SELECTIONS

**Compulsory** training sessions for all players will be held on Monday 10 February from 4.45-6.15

and Wednesday 12 February if required

Venue: local courts All players welcome

These selections are for players in age groups 12, 13, 14, 15 & 17 years

Further info: Sue 69723439 Amanda 69722900 Heather 69727439



**St Mary's War Memorial School**

**Parent/Teacher Interview Request Sheet  
Term 1 2014**

***"Getting to Know Your Child"***

These interviews are an ideal opportunity for parents to speak to teachers about their child's strengths and where they might require some help. It would be appreciated if parents could be punctual to these meetings.

**Students are welcome to attend the interviews with their parents.**

Family: \_\_\_\_\_

Kindergarten	Mrs Meincke
Year 1	Mrs Tulloch/Mrs Nielsen
Year 2	Miss Lowe
Year 3 / 4	Mrs Harland
Year 5 / 6	Mr Nielsen

Please indicate if you wish to see  Mrs Akehurst  Mr Mason

- Please indicate preferences for time blocks that would be suitable to you
- Interview times will be allocated by the teachers in 15 minute slots
- You will receive a verification slip of the time from your teacher

**(please number 1 – 2 in order of preference)**

Monday 17 February	Tuesday 18 February
3.30 – 6.00	3.30-6.00

Interviews will be held in individual classrooms.

Please return your completed form **before Thursday 13 February**

Preferences will be allocated according to the date the returns are sent back.

The sooner you return your interview sheet, the more likely you are to get your first preference.